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The Honorable Joseph J. Farnan, Jr.  
U.S. Court for the District of Delaware  
844 North King Street  
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**Re: Dickens v Taylor, et al.**  
**C.A. No. 04-201-JJF**

Dear Judge Farnan:

On February 28, 2008, Your Honor scheduled a hearing in the above-referenced case, to take place on May 21, 2008 at 12:30 pm. D.I.82. Today, after confirming with the Clerk of Court that the hearing date had not changed, I contacted the Delaware Correctional Center to arrange for inmate Plaintiff Kevin Dickens to be transported to District Court for this hearing. I was then advised that Mr. Dickens is scheduled to stand trial on May 21, 2008 in the New Castle County Superior Court for *State of Delaware v. Dickens*, Super. Ct. Cr. ID No. 07-08003661.

While I cannot speak for Mr. Dickens, I would like to inform this Court that a potential scheduling conflict may arise at next week's hearing. Counsel for the Defendants, however, will be present in District Court on that date and time.

Respectfully submitted,

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